



# **U.S. ARMY 4<sup>TH</sup> PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS**

## **GROUP (AIRBORNE)**

### ***BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH***

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## **SPC MARC PAUL DECOTEAU**

### **Deceased Jan. 29, 2010**

### **Operation Enduring Freedom**

Spc. Marc Paul Decoteau, 19, died Jan. 29 as a result of injuries sustained during an incident in Wardak Province, Afghanistan.

He deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Jan. 2010 as a member of the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force – Afghanistan. This was his first deployment in support of the War on Terror and first deployment to Afghanistan. He was a Psychological Operations Specialist.

Decoteau was a native of New Hampshire, and joined the Army in 2008. He was assigned to 6<sup>th</sup> Bn., 4<sup>th</sup> Psychological Operations Group (Airborne), Fort Bragg, N.C.

Decoteau's military education includes Psychological Operations Advanced Individual Training, Army Airborne School and the United States John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School Language Course (French).

His awards and decorations include the National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Campaign Star, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, and Parachutist Badge.

Decoteau is survived by his mother Nancy, father Mark, brother Andrew and sister Maddie of Waterville Valley, N.H.

He was posthumously awarded the Army Commendation Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal and NATO Medal.

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